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TO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, PA, AID

SUBJECT: AID TRANSFER OF LANDING CRAFT

REF: (A) PANAMA AIDAC 5183 AND AID/EPD FSB 1058 DTG  
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1. REFTELS (A) REPORTED EXCHANGE OF CABLES BETWEEN EMBASSY  
PANAMA AND AID EXCESS PROPERTY OFFICE REGARDING PROPOSED  
PURCHASE UNDER USAID PROGRAM OF TWO LCM 3 LANDING CRAFT AND  
ONE LCM 6 FOR PANAMA.' PARA 9 REFTEL (B) REPORTED HOUSE  
ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION AGAINST SALE OF SIMILAR  
LANDING CRAFT (LCM 8S) TO PANAMA UNDER THE SECURITY  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

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2. NATURE OF TRANSFERS DIFFER IN THAT: (1) TRANSFER OF US NAVY CRAFT SUBJECT BY LAW TO CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW BUT TRANSFERS THROUGH AID ARE NOT; (2) DIFFERENT CRAFT ARE INVOLVED (I.E., LCM 8S IN CASE OF NAVY AND LCM 3S AND 6 IN CASE OF AID), AND (3) TRANSFER OF NAVY CRAFT WAS DESTINED FOR MILITARY USE BY PANAMANIAN NATIONAL GUARD AND TRANSFER OF CRAFT BY AID DESTINED FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT USE BY MIN OF AGRICULTURE. NEVERTHELESS, WE BELIEVE THAT DEPARTMENT AND AID/W SHOULD REVIEW EXCESS PROPERTY TRANSFERS OF LCMS IN VIEW OF RECENTLY EXPRESSED CONGRESSIONAL CONCERNS OVER SPECIFIC ISSUE OF LCM TRANSFERS TO GOP. THEREFORE, PENDING REVIEW OF PROPOSED TRANSFER OF CRAFT, WHICH WE ANTICIPATE WILL TAKE SOME TIME, ACTION ON PROPOSED TRANSFER OF TWO LCM 3S AND ONE LCM 6 SHOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL FURTHER NOTIFICATION. KISSINGER

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